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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/760,944	<b>Applicant(s)</b> WRIGHT ET AL.	
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- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 5/7/2010.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 22-39 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 22-39 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)                                | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Examiner's Remarks***

1. In page 7 of the Remarks, Applicant requested a telephone interview. The Examiner attempted to contact Applicant's representative, Joseph F. Oriti, to schedule the interview, but the attempt was unsuccessful. Applicant is welcome to contact the Examiner if an interview is still deemed necessary.

### ***Response to Arguments***

2. Applicant's arguments with respect to the claims have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

### ***Claim Objections***

3. Claims 25-26, 31, and 32 are objected to because the terms "NWR-SAME", "NWR", "FM", "AM", and "NOAA" are acronyms which can mean different things and/or change in meaning over time; hence, it would be desirable to write out the actual words to which the acronym refers.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112***

4. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

5. Claims 22-39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant

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art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

Regarding claims 22, 31, and 32, and their dependents thereof, the limitation of “the periodic reminder being continually provided at a predetermined **temporal frequency** ..., and the predetermined **temporal frequency** comprising a desired time interval between reminders of the emergency alert specified by the user” was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention. The specification discloses that a reminder of the emergency alert broadcast is periodically generated and provided to the alert recipient at a predetermined time interval. The desired time interval between reminders at step 106 is entered by the alert recipient using the keypad 32 and display unit 34 and stored in one of the memory units 44, 46. The reminder is continually provided to the alert recipient until it is determined at step 108 that the current time and date is later than the expiration time and date of the emergency, in which case the emergency alert notification process is terminated at step 116 (p. [0042] of original specification). Periodically generating the reminder, providing it at a predetermined time interval (a desired time interval between reminders), and continually providing the reminder is not the same as providing the reminder at a predetermined **temporal frequency** as claimed. Applicant is welcomed to point out where in the specification the Examiner can find support for this limitation if applicant believes otherwise. For examination on the merits, the limitation “temporal frequency” will be interpreted as best understood in view of the specification.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

6. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

7. Claims 22, 24, 25, 27, 29 and 30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US Patent No. 7,053,780 Straub et al. (Straub) in views of US Patent No. 7,003,304 (Helferich), US Patent No. 6,177,873 (Cragun), and Videtich (PG-Pub 2004/0080430).

As to claim 22, Straub teaches a wireless device for receiving an incoming call (navigation device 100 or 210 - figure 1A, 1B and 2, col. 1 line 62 - col. 2 line 2 and col. 3 lines 13-22), the wireless device comprising:

a first receiver configured to receive telephone calls (first receiver 234-figure 2, col. 4, lines 5-22);

a second receiver, different than the first receiver, the second receiver configured to receive an emergency alert broadcast (weather receiver 270-figure 2, col. 5, lines 1-28); and

a microcontroller in communication with the first and second receivers, the microcontroller configured to be a common processor resource for the first and second receivers of the wireless device (processor 212-figure 2, col. 4, lines 5-22 and col. 5, lines 1-28), by:

determining whether an emergency alert broadcast is being received at the second receiver (col. 5, lines 1-28),

determining whether to notify a user of the wireless device of the emergency alert broadcast based on user-defined emergency alert preferences (col. 6, lines 1-49 and col. 7, lines

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28-67, wherein Straub discloses providing weather alert for one or more adjacent counties based on user selectable criteria and displaying search results based on points of interest),

storing code information received from the emergency alert broadcast (col. 5, lines 1-52), providing a periodic reminder (col. 6, line 62-col. 7, line 27, wherein Straub discloses the SAME signal is received periodically and that the device would actuate a weather alert every time the mobile station is related to the SAME signal, thus providing a periodic reminder to the user) of the emergency alert broadcast comprising information regarding a weather emergency associated with the emergency alert broadcast to the user of the wireless device (figure 3A-3F, col. 8, line 1-col. 9, line 17), the periodic reminder (col. 6, line 62 - col. 7, line 27, wherein Straub discloses the SAME signal is received periodically and that the device would actuate a weather alert every time the mobile station is related to the SAME signal, thus providing a periodic reminder to the user) being provided until an expiration date and time of the weather emergency (col. 5, lines 1-28, wherein Straub discloses the signal includes the expiration time of the message).

However, Straub fails to disclose determining whether a call is in progress. In an analogous art, Helferich teaches determining whether a call is in progress (col. 11, line 55-col. 12, line 17; col. 12, lines 39-61).

It would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Straub's system to include determining whether a call is in progress, as taught by Helferich, for the advantage of controlling the reception of the message based on the user (col. 3, lines 21-36).

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However, the combined system of Straub and Helferich fails to disclose the user-defined emergency alert preferences comprising one or more emergency alert types the user wishes to be notified of, and the predetermined temporal frequency comprising a desired time interval between reminders of the emergency alert specified by the user.

In an analogous art, Cragun teaches the user-defined emergency alert preferences comprises one or more emergency alert types the user wishes to be notified of (switch 166-160-figure 1, col. 5, line 33-col. 6, line 18).

It would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the combined system of Straub and Helferich to include the user-defined emergency alert preferences comprises one or more emergency alert types the user wishes to be notified of, as taught by Cragun, for the advantage of notifying a user when weather alerts are issued according to geographical areas of interest and weather notification parameters that are set by the user (col. 2, lines 14-32).

In addition, in the same field of endeavor, Videtich discloses providing a periodic reminder of the emergency alert broadcast comprising information regarding a weather emergency associated with the emergency alert broadcast to the user of the wireless device (p. [0025], [0035]), the periodic reminder being continually provided at a predetermined temporal frequency until an expiration date and time of the weather emergency or until receipt of a first indication to suspend the call in progress on the wireless device (p. [0019], [0025]), and the predetermined temporal frequency comprising a desired time interval between reminders of the emergency alert specified by the user (p. [0025]).

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Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in this art at the time of invention by applicant to continually provide the periodic reminder at a predetermined temporal frequency until an expiration date and time of the weather emergency of Straub or until receipt of a first indication to suspend the call in progress on the wireless device; the predetermined temporal frequency comprising a desired time interval between reminders of the emergency alert specified by the user as suggested by Videtich for the advantages of preventing that the user forgets about the emergency and for increasing user convenience.

As to claim 24, Straub teaches the first receiver includes a RF transceiver unit (col. 2, lines 48-64).

As to claim 25, Straub teaches the second receiver includes a NWR weather receiver configured to receiver NWR-SAME emergency alert broadcasts (weather receiver 270 - figure 2, col. 5, lines 1-28).

As to claim 27, Straub teaches the second receiver includes a digital receiver (col. 5, lines 29-52).

As to claim 29, Straub teaches the receiver unit includes a first processing module for extracting the code information included in the emergency alert broadcast (col. 5, lines 1-52) and the periodic reminder includes an emergency alert message containing at least a portion of the code information (col. 6, line 62 - col. 7, line 27, wherein Straub discloses the SAME signal is received periodically and that the device would actuate a weather alert every time the mobile station is related to the SAME signal, thus providing a periodic reminder to the user).



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As to claim 30, Straub teaches the emergency alert message comprises an audible emergency alert message (col. 8, lines 20-31), a visual emergency alert message (col. 8, lines 6-19), or an audio-visual emergency alert message (col. 8 lines 20-31).

8. Claim 23 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub, Helferich, Cragun, and Videtich as applied to claim 22 above, and further in view of US Patent No. 6,850,604 Cannell et al. (Cannell).

Considering claim 23, Straub teaches the microcontroller configured to manage communications from the first and second receiver (processor 212 - figure 2, col. 4, lines 5-22 and col. 5 lines 1-28), the microcontroller will suspend the call (col. 6, lines 64-67) and provide the emergency alert notification to the user of the wireless device based on the extracted coded information (col. 5, lines 29-52).

However, Straub fails to teach upon receipt of a first indication to suspend a wireless telephone call in progress and upon receipt of a second indication from the user of the wireless telephone to resume the suspended wireless telephone call.

In an analogous art, Cannell teaches upon receipt of a first indication to suspend a wireless telephone call in progress (col. 5, lines 11-21) and upon receipt of a second indication from the user of the wireless telephone to resume the suspended wireless telephone call (col. 5, line 56 - col. 6 line 3).

It would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the combined system of Straub, Helferich, Cragun, and Videtich to include upon receipt of a first indication to suspend a wireless telephone call in progress and upon receipt of a second indication from the user of the wireless telephone to resume the suspended wireless

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telephone call, as taught by Cannell, for the advantage of alerting the user of the phone of an incoming call when the user is engaged in a current call (col. 1 lines 14-20).

9. Claim 26 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub, Helferich, Cragun, and Videtich as applied to claim 22 above, and further in view of US Patent No. 6,728,522 Marrah et al. (Marrah).

Considering claim 26, Straub teaches a NWR weather receiver but the combined system of Straub, Helferich and Cragun fails to teach receiving standard FM and AM broadcasts.

In an analogous art, Marrah teaches a NWR weather receiver further configured to receive standard FM and AM broadcasts (col. 1, lines 13-32 and col. 2, lines 52-65).

It would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the combined system of Straub, Helferich, Cragun, and Videtich to include receiving standard FM and AM broadcasts, as taught by Marrah, for the advantage of tuning a weather band radio to receive a plurality of weather band channels from one location (col. 1, lines 13-32).

10. Claims 28 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub, Helferich, Cragun, and Videtich as applied to claim 22 above, and further in view of US Patent No. 6,710,715 (Deeds).

Considering claim 28, the combined system of Straub, Helferich, Cragun, and Videtich teaches the system above but fails to disclose the processor includes a digital signal processor.

In an analogous art, Deeds teaches the processor includes a digital signal processor (col. 12 lines 3-9).

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It would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to the combined system of Straub, Helferich, Cragun, and Videtich to include a digital signal processor, as taught by Deeds, for the advantage of improving the automatic selection and distribution of messages (col. 2, lines 1-11).

11. Claims 31-35 and 37-39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub in views of Marrah, Cragun, and Videtich.

As to claim 31, Straub teaches a wireless telephone for use by a telecommunications user (navigation device 100 or 210 -figure 1A, 1B and 2, col. 1 line 62 - col. 2 line 2 and col. 3 lines 13-22), comprising:

a weather alert radio which includes a receiver configured to communicate with a NOAA radio broadcast system (weather receiver 270 - figure 2, col. 5 lines 1-28);

an alerting module in communication with the weather alert radio and the wireless telephone, configured to provide an audio, a visual or an audio-visual alert, wherein the magnitude and type of the alert is selectably modulateable (col. 8 lines 6-31);

a speaker jack, coupled to the weather alert radio and the wireless telephone (speaker 254 - figure 2, col. 6 line 62 - col. 7 line 13);

a power module, including a batter power pack coupled to the wireless telephone, weather alert radio and alerting module (power source 222 - figure 2, col. 3 lines 13-22);

a user interface, having a key pad, wherein the key pad is in communication with the weather alert radio and the wireless telephone (col. 3 lines 23-33);

an antenna, coupled to the wireless phone, in communication with the wireless telephone and weather alert radio (antenna 236 - figure 2, col. 4 lines 5-22); and

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a microcontroller configured to:

determining whether to notify a user of the wireless telephone of an NOAA alert broadcast based on user-defined emergency alert preferences (col. 6 lines 1-49 and col. 7 lines 28-67, wherein Straub discloses providing weather alert for one or more adjacent counties based on user selectable criteria and displaying search results based on points of interest); and

provide a periodic reminder (col. 6 line 62 - col. 7 line 27, wherein Straub discloses the SAME signal is received periodically and that the device would actuate a weather alert every time the mobile station is related to the SAME signal, thus providing a periodic reminder to the user) of an emergency alert broadcast comprising information regarding a weather emergency associated with the emergency alert broadcast to the user of the wireless telephone (figure 3A-3F, col. 8 line 1-col. 9 line 17), the periodic reminder (col. 6 line 62 - col. 7 line 27, wherein Straub discloses the SAME signal is received periodically and that the device would actuate a weather alert every time the mobile station is related to the SAME signal, thus providing a periodic reminder to the user) being provided until an expiration date and time of the weather emergency (col. 5 lines 1-28, wherein Straub discloses the signal includes the expiration time of the message).

However, Straub does not teach a digital AM/FM radio module in communication with the weather alert radio.

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In an analogous art, Marrah teaches a digital AM/FM radio module in communication with the weather alert radio (AM/FM radio tuner 24 - figure 2, col. 1, lines 13-32 and col. 2 lines 52-65).

It would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Straub's system to include a digital AM/FM radio module in communication with the weather alert radio, as taught by Marrah, for the advantage of tuning a weather band radio to receive a plurality of weather band channels from one location (col. 1, lines 13-32).

However, the combined system of Straub and Helferich fails to disclose wherein the user-defined emergency alert preferences comprise one or more emergency alert types the user wishes to be notified of; and a predetermined temporal frequency comprising a desired time interval between reminders of the emergency alert specified by the user.

In an analogous art, Cragun teaches the user-defined emergency alert preferences comprises one or more emergency alert types the user wishes to be notified of (switch 166-160 - figure 1, col. 5 line 33 - col. 6 line 18).

It would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the combined system of Straub and Helferich to include the user-defined emergency alert preferences comprises one or more emergency alert types the user wishes to be notified of, as taught by Cragun, for the advantage of notifying a user when weather alerts are issued according to geographical areas of interest (col. 2 lines 14-32).

In addition, in the same field of endeavor, Videtich discloses providing a periodic reminder of the emergency alert broadcast comprising information regarding a weather emergency associated with the emergency alert broadcast to the user of the wireless telephone (p.

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[0025], [0035]), the periodic reminder being continually provided at a predetermined temporal frequency until an expiration date and time of the weather emergency or until receipt of a first indication to suspend the call in progress on the wireless device (p. [0019], [0025]), and the predetermined temporal frequency comprising a desired time interval between reminders of the emergency alert specified by the user (p. [0025]).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in this art at the time of invention by applicant to continually provide the periodic reminder at a predetermined temporal frequency until an expiration date and time of the weather emergency of Straub or until receipt of a first indication to suspend the call in progress on the wireless device; the predetermined temporal frequency comprising a desired time interval between reminders of the emergency alert specified by the user as suggested by Videtich for the advantages of preventing that the user forgets about the emergency and for increasing user convenience.

As to claim 32, Straub teaches a method comprising:

receiving a weather alert broadcast at the wireless telephone (col. 5 lines 1-28);

determining whether to notify a user of the weather alert broadcast based on user-defined emergency alert preferences (col. 6 lines 1-49 and col. 7 lines 28-67, wherein Straub discloses providing weather alert for one or more adjacent counties based on user selectable criteria and displaying search results based on points of interest); and

providing information associated with the weather alert broadcast to the user of wireless telephone via an audio, visual or audio-visual alert (col. 8 lines 6-31), wherein the information associated with the weather alert broadcast is provided to the user periodically (col. 6 line 62 - col. 7 line 27, wherein Straub discloses the SAME signal is received periodically and that the

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device would actuate a weather alert every time the mobile station is related to the SAME signal, thus providing periodically).

However, Straub fails to teach activating a digital AM/FM radio module of a wireless telephone and deactivating the digital AM/FM radio module of the wireless telephone to communicate the weather alert broadcast to the user.

In an analogous art, Marrah teaches activating a digital AM/FM radio module of a wireless telephone (col. 3 lines 18-30) and deactivating the digital AM/FM radio module of the wireless telephone to communicate the weather alert broadcast to the user (col. 3 lines 31-44).

It would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Straub's system to include activating a digital AM/FM radio module of a wireless telephone and deactivating the digital AM/FM radio module of the wireless telephone to communicate the weather alert broadcast to the user, as taught by Marrah, for the advantage of tuning a weather band radio to receive a plurality of weather band channels from one location (col. 1 lines 13-32).

However, the combined system of Straub and Helferich fails to disclose wherein the user-defined emergency alert preferences comprise one or more emergency alert types the user wishes to be notified of; and a predetermined temporal frequency comprising a desired time interval between reminders of the emergency alert specified by the user.

In an analogous art, Cragun teaches the user-defined emergency alert preferences comprises one or more emergency alert types the user wishes to be notified for (switch 166-160 - figure 1, col. 5 line 33 - col. 6 line 18) and a predetermined time interval comprising a desired

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time interval specified by the user for the periodic reminder of the emergency alert broadcast (col. 6 line 19 - col. 7 line 25).

It would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the combined system of Straub and Helferich to include the user-defined emergency alert preferences comprises one or more emergency alert types the user wishes to be notified for and a predetermined time interval comprising a desired time interval specified by the user for the periodic reminder of the emergency alert broadcast, as taught by Cragun, for the advantage of notifying a user when weather alerts are issued according to geographical areas of interest and weather notification parameters that are set by the user (col. 2 lines 14-32).

In addition, in the same field of endeavor, Videtich discloses providing a periodic reminder of the emergency alert broadcast comprising information regarding a weather emergency associated with the emergency alert broadcast to the user of the wireless telephone (p. [0025], [0035]), the periodic reminder being continually provided at a predetermined temporal frequency until an expiration date and time of the weather emergency or until receipt of a first indication to suspend the call in progress on the wireless device (p. [0019], [0025]), and the predetermined temporal frequency comprising a desired time interval between reminders of the emergency alert specified by the user (p. [0025]).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in this art at the time of invention by applicant to continually provide the periodic reminder at a predetermined temporal frequency until an expiration date and time of the weather emergency of Straub or until receipt of a first indication to suspend the call in progress on the wireless device; the predetermined temporal frequency comprising a desired time interval between reminders of the emergency alert



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specified by the user as suggested by Videtich for the advantages of preventing that the user forgets about the emergency and for increasing user convenience.

As to claim 33, Straub teaches receiving the weather alert broadcast includes extracting coded information from the weather alert broadcast (col. 5 lines 1-52).

As to claim 34, Straub teaches receiving the weather alert broadcast includes comparing the extracted coded information to predetermined information stored in the wireless telephone (col. 5 lines 1-52).

As to claim 35, Straub teaches providing the information associated with the weather alert broadcast to the user of the wireless telephone includes providing an emergency alert message to the user of the wireless telephone, the emergency alert message including at least a portion of the extracted coded information (col. 5 lines 1- 52).

As to claim 37, Straub teaches wherein providing the information associated with the weather alert broadcast to the user of the wireless telephone includes providing the information simultaneously with a call in progress (col. 6, line 62 - col. 7, line 13).

As to claim 38, Straub teaches further comprising providing a recommended course of action to the user of the wireless telephone based upon the extracted coded information, wherein a recommended course of action includes information regarding steps for managing a situation in a specific weather emergency (col. 7 lines 28-52, wherein Straub discloses a shortest way to get to a shelter quickly).

As to claim 39, Straub teaches wherein if the wireless telephone is activated, the information associated with the weather alert broadcast is provided to the user of the wireless telephone (col. 6, line 62 - col. 7, line 13).

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12. Claims 36 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub, Marrah, Cragun and Videtich as applied to claim 32 above, and further in view of US Patent No. 7,233,781 Hunter et al. (Hunter).

Considering claim 36, the combined system of Straub, Marrah, Cragun, and Videtich teaches the system as described above. However, the combined system fails to disclose determining if a wireless telephone is not in progress, determining if the wireless telephone is activated; and if the wireless telephone is not activated, activating one or more interface resources of the wireless telephone, wherein the one or more interfaces resources include a speaker, a microphone, a keypad, a display, a ringer, and a vibratory actuator.

In an analogous art, Hunter teaches determining if a wireless telephone is not in progress, determining if the wireless telephone is activated; and if the wireless telephone is not activated, activating one or more interface resources of the wireless telephone, wherein the one or more interfaces resources include a speaker, a microphone, a keypad, a display, a ringer, and a vibratory actuator (col. 9 lines 32-51).

It would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the combined system of Straub, Marrah, Cragun, and Videtich to include determining if the wireless telephone is activated; and if the wireless telephone is not activated, activating one or more interface resources of the wireless telephone, wherein the one or more interfaces resources include a speaker, a microphone, a keypad, a display, a ringer, and a vibratory actuator, as taught by Hunter, for the advantage of notifying the user even when the device is off (col. 9 lines 32-51).

***Conclusion***

13. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

14. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MARIVELISSE SANTIAGO-CORDERO whose telephone number is (571)272-7839. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vincent P. Harper can be reached on (571) 272-7605. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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